

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 18, 2016

**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1138**

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**Introduced by Senator Hueso**

February 18, 2016

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An act to add ~~Sections 6726 and 50035~~ *Section 6726* to the Government Code, relating to Space Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1138, as amended, Hueso. Space Day.

Existing law requires the Governor to proclaim certain days each year for specified reasons. Existing law also designates particular days each year as having special significance in public schools and educational institutions, and encourages those entities to conduct suitable commemorative exercises on those dates.

This bill would require the Governor to proclaim ~~an undetermined date in the first Friday in May of~~ each year to be Space Day, and designate that date as having special significance in public schools and educational institutions. The bill would require the Governor to encourage public schools and educational institutions to conduct suitable commemorative exercises on that date. The bill would additionally require the ~~legislative body of each city, county, or city and county to, by ordinance, require~~ Governor to encourage every resident, business, and public entity to dim or turn off their lights between 9 p.m. and 10 p.m. on the date designated as Space Day. ~~By imposing additional duties on local officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.~~

~~The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.~~

~~This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: ~~yes~~ no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 6726 is added to the Government Code,  
2 to read:

3 6726. (a) The Governor shall proclaim ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ *the first Friday*  
4 *in May* of each year to be Space Day and designate that date as  
5 having special significance in public schools and educational  
6 institutions. The Governor shall encourage public schools and  
7 educational institutions to conduct suitable commemorative  
8 exercises on that date.

9 (b) *The Governor shall encourage every resident, business, and*  
10 *public entity to dim or turn off their lights between 9 p.m. and 10*  
11 *p.m. on Space Day.*

12 ~~(b)~~  
13 (c) Space Day shall promote space observation and appreciation,  
14 promote California's aerospace industry, and encourage students  
15 to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering, and  
16 mathematics.

17 ~~SEC. 2. Section 50035 is added to the Government Code, to~~  
18 ~~read:~~

19 50035. ~~The legislative body of each city, county, or city and~~  
20 ~~county shall, by ordinance, require every resident, business, and~~  
21 ~~public entity to dim or turn off their lights between 9 p.m. and 10~~  
22 ~~p.m. on the date designated as Space Day pursuant to Section 6726.~~

23 ~~SEC. 3. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that~~  
24 ~~this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to~~  
25 ~~local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made~~  
26 ~~pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division~~  
27 ~~4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.~~